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tresses not used by the sick should be placed upon the chairs or tables, or, better still, hung up in the yards and beaten; soiled bedding and mattresses used by the sick should be steamed or destroyed; trunks, closets, and bureau drawers, and all closed receptacles, should be opened and their contents exposed.

AERATION.

Both before and after disinfection the houses should be opened and thoroughly aired—"chilled," if the weather is favorable—and, later on, all the rooms, closets, etc., should be exposed to several hours of airing during freezing weather, and repeated at intervals during the winter.

DISINFECTION OF STABLES, PENS, ETC.

The use of bichloride of mercury solution, 1-500, or carbolic acid solution, 50 parts to 1,000 parts (applied by means of a spray), is deemed sufficient if all exposed surfaces are completely saturated. Privies may be disinfected by chloride of lime or strong solution of carbolic acid.

WALTER WYMAN,
Supervising Surgeon-General.

[Reports to the Supervising Surgeon-General United States Marine-Hospital Service.]

Yellow fever in the United States as reported to the Supervising Surgeon-General United States Marine-Hospital Service to December 1, 1897. (a)

States.	Cities.	Date.	Cases.	Deaths.
Alabama	Alco.....	Oct. 8.....	1	0
	Bayminette.....	Oct. 14.....	1	1
	Flomaton.....	To Nov. 24.....	68	0
	Greensboro.....	Nov. 2.....	1	1
	Mobile.....	Sept. 13-Sept. 30...	74	11
		Oct. 1-Oct. 31...	^b 187	25
		Nov. 1-Nov. 24...	100	12
		Nov. 25.....	1	0
		Nov. 27.....	1	0
	Montgomery.....	Oct. 18-Oct. 27...	104	8
		Nov. 1-Nov. 10...	16	3
	Notasulga.....	Oct. 25.....	1	0
	Sandy Ridge.....do.....	1	0
	Selma.....	Oct. 23-Oct. 31...	11	1
		Nov. 3.....	0	1
		Nov. 10.....	1	0
	Wagar.....	To Nov. 3.....	45	3
	Whistler.....	Oct. 29-Nov. 12...	122	7
Florida.....	Port Barrancas.....	Nov. 18.....	1	1
		Nov. 21.....	1	0
		Nov. 22.....	2	0
	Pensacola.....	Nov. 15.....	1	1
Georgia.....	Atlanta.....	Oct. 8-Oct. 27...	^c 3	0
Illinois.....	Calro.....	Sept. 19-Sept. 20...	4	0
Kentucky.....	Louisville.....	Sept. 23.....	1	1
Louisiana.....	Baton Rouge.....	Oct. 18-Oct. 31...	4	2
		Nov. 11.....	1	0
	Franklin.....	Oct. 14-Oct. 21...	3	1
	New Orleans.....	Sept. 8-Sept. 30...	226	27
		Oct. 1-Oct. 31...	1,285	149
		Nov. 1-Nov. 24...	371	99
		Nov. 25.....	4	2
		Nov. 26.....	2	3
		Nov. 27.....	4	2
		Nov. 28.....	1	1
		Nov. 29.....	0	0
	Patterson.....	Oct. 21.....	1	0

^a For daily reports of cases and deaths, see previous PUBLIC HEALTH REPORTS.

^b Two in vicinity.

^c Refugees.

Yellow fever in the United States, etc.—Continued.

States.	Cities.	Date.	Cases.	Deaths.
Mississippi.....	Barkley.....	Sept. 13-Sept. 18...	10	4
	Bay St. Louis.....	Oct. 17-Oct. 28...	40	4
	Biloxi.....	Sept. 1-Sept. 30...	132	7
		Oct. 1-Oct. 31...	418	17
		Nov. 1-Nov. 24...	42	3
	Cayuga.....	Oct. 16-Oct. 28...	24	1
		Nov. 5.....	1	0
	Clinton.....	Oct. 7-Oct. 31...	37	2
		Nov. 12-Nov. 15...	5	0
	County Farm.....	Oct. 25.....	1	0
		Nov. 5.....	1	0
	Durant.....	Nov. 1.....	1	1
	Edwards.....	Sept. 15-Sept. 30...	212	6
		Oct. 1-Oct. 31...	229	22
		Nov. 1-Nov. 17...	14	1
	Hendersons Point.....	Oct. 7.....	3	0
	Hinds County Convict Camp, near Raymond.	Oct. 23-Oct. 27...	6	0
	McHenry.....	Sept. 30-Oct. 31...	29	1
		Nov. 2.....	1	0
	Nitta Yuma.....	Oct. 3-Oct. 31...	21	1
		Nov. 1-Nov. 10...	6	0
	Ocean Springs.....	Sept. 8-Sept. 30...	23	6
	Pascagoula.....	Oct. 14-Oct. 31...	27	1
		Nov. 1-Nov. 10...	8	1
	Perkinston.....	Sept. 10.....	1	0
	Scranton.....	Sept. 10-Sept. 30...	39	3
		Oct. 1-Oct. 31...	281	10
		Nov. 1-Nov. 18...	43	5
	Waveland.....	To Oct. 20.....	4	0
	West Pascagoula.....	Nov. 2-Nov. 3...	8	0
Tennessee.....	Memphis.....	Oct. 22-Oct. 31...	40	5
		Nov. 1-Nov. 10...	12	9
Texas.....	Beaumont.....	Sept. 22.....	1	0
	Galveston.....	Oct. 12.....	12	0
	Houston.....	Oct. 27.....	(a)
		Oct. 11.....	3	0

a Yellow fever reported; cases not given.

No new cases of yellow fever in New Orleans on November 29.

[Telegram.]

NEW ORLEANS, LA., November 29, 1897.

No new cases and no deaths for the last twenty-four hours.

S. R. OLLIPHANT, M. D.,
President Louisiana State Board of Health.

Smallpox in Atlanta.

ATLANTA, GA., November 26, 1897.

SIR: I have the honor to submit the following synopsis of the existing smallpox at this place since Surgeon Sawtelle's last report:

Total number of new cases since November 19, 1897.....	15
Discharged since November 19, 1897.....	1
Previously discharged.....	11
Death previously reported.....	1
Total number in hospital to-day.....	82
Total number in quarantine, suspects.....	35

This disease is almost wholly confined to the colored race, among whom vaccination is extremely difficult to accomplish, they evading the law in every possible manner.

Very respectfully,

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